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MINNESOTA BULLETIN NO. 300-5-40

SUBJECT: ESC - CREP II TRAINING

<u>Purpose.</u> To provide information for CREP II training teleconferences

Expiration Date. June 1, 2005.

CREP II Training will be presented by the FSA State Office Conservation Section, the NRCS Office Resources Staff and the Board of Water and Soil Resources Staff. Attendance is intended for NRCS, SWCD, FSA, DNR, and BWSR staff involved in the administration and implementation of CREP II within designated CREP II areas.

Three training teleconferences will be conducted from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for counties as indicated below. Training is specific for each watershed area; therefore county offices are encouraged to attend training in their respective watershed areas whenever possible.

Tuesday, May 24, 2005

SE Minnesota – Goodhue, Wabasha, Dodge, Olmsted, Winona, Mower, Fillmore, Houston, Dakota, Scott, Rice, LeSueur, Waseca, Steele, Faribault, Freeborn and Blue Earth.

Wednesday, May 25, 2005

SW Minnesota – Rock, Nobles, Jackson, Martin, Pipestone, Murray, Cottonwood, Lincoln and Lyon.

Thursday, May 26, 2005

NW Minnesota – Kittson, Marshall, Pennington, Red Lake, E & W Polk, Norman, Mahnomen, Clay, Wilkin, Roseau, LOW, Beltrami, Koochiching, Itasca, Clearwater, Becker, E & W Ottertail, Grant, Stevens, Traverse, and Big Stone.

See attached map for specific watershed areas.

County Executive Directors (CEDs) are responsible for hosting these meetings at USDA field service centers where CREP II will be administered. Due to the limited number of telephone lines and cost of the online software, participation is limited to ONE telephone line and ONE My Meeting connection per field service center. CEDs should prepare meeting rooms with a telephone, laptop connected to the network and a projector. Meeting handouts will be available to Monday, May 23, 2005 and will be placed on the NRCS State Website to be downloaded.

In order to track meeting attendance a sign-in sheet will be placed on the website. As the meeting begins CEDs will ask that all individuals in attendance to sign in.

For questions regarding this notice please contact Ginger Kopp at <u>ginger.kopp@mn.usda.gov</u> or 651-602-7909.

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